

**Assembly Concurrent Resolution**

**No. 27**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Charles Calderon**

February 22, 2007

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 27—Relative to Los Angeles County Deputy Sheriff Jerry Ortiz Memorial Highway.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 27, as introduced, Charles Calderon. Los Angeles County Deputy Sheriff Jerry Ortiz Memorial Highway.

This measure would designate the segment of State Highway Route 60 between State Highway Route 605 and State Highway Route 19, in Los Angeles County, as the Los Angeles County Deputy Sheriff Jerry Ortiz Memorial Highway.

The measure would request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost of appropriate signs showing this special designation and upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect those signs.

Fiscal committee: yes.

1 WHEREAS, Of all the promises that America offers, none is  
2 more precious or elusive than the right to be free from crime and  
3 violence; and

4 WHEREAS, Californians are indebted every day to our peace  
5 officers, and we pay special tribute to their bravery and dedication  
6 and share in their pain when one of their members is killed in the  
7 line of duty; and

8 WHEREAS, The men and women of law enforcement have the  
9 unenviable task of guaranteeing the public's safety and it is as

1 difficult and dangerous as it is important, as evidenced by the  
2 death, at the age of 35, of Deputy Jerry Ortiz of the Los Angeles  
3 County Sheriff's Department who was killed in the line of duty  
4 on June 24, 2005, in Hawaiian Gardens while conducting an  
5 investigation; and

6 WHEREAS, Deputy Ortiz faithfully served the residents of Los  
7 Angeles County as a Gang Enforcement Deputy; and

8 WHEREAS, Deputy Ortiz was a resident of Diamond Bar and  
9 served in the United States Army from 1988 to 1996; and

10 WHEREAS, Deputy Ortiz was a boxing fan and a member of  
11 the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Boxing Team; and

12 WHEREAS, It is appropriate to recognize the hazardous work,  
13 serious responsibility, and strong commitment that Deputy Ortiz  
14 willingly accepted during his 15 years as a law enforcement officer;  
15 and

16 WHEREAS, Deputy Ortiz is remembered as a passionate  
17 husband to his wife, Chela; a loving son to his parents, Luis and  
18 Rosa Ortiz; a caring father to his sons, Jeremy and Jacob; a  
19 thoughtful sibling to his sisters, Sylvia and Claudia, and brothers,  
20 Javier and Miguel; and a man who committed his life, religious  
21 beliefs, and his career to Los Angeles County and the safety of its  
22 residents; now, therefore, be it

23 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*  
24 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature designates the segment  
25 of State Highway Route 60 between State Highway 605 and State  
26 Highway Route 19, in Los Angeles County, as Los Angeles County  
27 Deputy Sheriff Jerry Ortiz Memorial Highway; and be it further

28 *Resolved*, That the Department of Transportation is requested  
29 to determine the cost of appropriate signs, consistent with the  
30 signing requirements for the state highway system, showing this  
31 special designation, and upon receiving donations from nonstate  
32 sources sufficient to cover that cost, to erect those signs; and be it  
33 further

34 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies  
35 of this resolution to the Department of Transportation and to the  
36 author for appropriate distribution.